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Energy Management Program

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POST-SECONDARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS JOIN ONTARIO ENERGY CONSERVATION PROGRAM

Eight Ontario post-secondary educational institutions will participate this year in a \$531,000 project to reduce energy consumption, and to research methods of conserving energy in campus buildings.

The project is co-ordinated by the Ministry of Colleges and Universities and forms part of the Ontario Government's Energy Management Program. Seven universities (Carleton, Guelph, Laurentian, Trent, Waterloo, Western and York) and one community college (Fanshawe) will conserve an estimated \$164,000 worth of energy every year.

The project involves the monitoring of savings achieved through the use of highly specialized controls being installed in campus buildings. The results will be made available to physical-plant personnel at post-secondary institutions throughout Ontario. The project is a natural continuation of "first line" conservation measures, such as reduced lighting, which involve little or no capital cost.

As part of the project, the Ministry of Colleges and Universities is also compiling an energy conservation check-list and bibliography for distribution to college and university personnel.

The Ministry of Colleges and Universities is one of 14 Ontario ministries participating in the Energy Management Program which

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is designed to reduce by one-third Ontario's growth in demand for energy over the next decade. The overall Energy Management Program is co-ordinated and funded by the Ministry of Energy. The objective of the program is, by 1980, to have shaved \$1 billion annually from Ontario's ever-increasing energy bill.

The Ministry of Energy plans to reach this goal through a co-ordinated program of research and the provision of practical information to all sectors of Ontario's economy.

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